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FOR IO/AF CDO/CAR LAWRENCE

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AFC FOR BYRON BAHL AFR/CWR/AID

DEPT FOR AF/C CARDWELL

NDJAMENA FOR DATT RODRIGUEZ

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: EAID, MILI, CT

SUBJECT: SPECIAL TRANSPORT REQUEST - CAR WELLS

REF: LOU STATE 289576, ITEMS 1, 2 (NOTAL)

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2. DECONTROL MSG ON RECEIPT.

2. FOLLOWING EMBASSY-PC/CAR DISCUSSIONS, AND
CONSULTATION WITH VISITING DATT RODRIGUEZ, DEC 17-20,
WISH MAKE FOLLOWING SUGGESTIONS.

3. THAT USAID AND/OR STATE DESK OFFICERS (COORDINATED
WITH PC/AF) APPROACH AF/I POLITICO-MILITARY ADVISOR
ANDEREGG AND HIS DOD COUNTERPART TO PROPOSE AIRLIFT OF
TWO 2-TON DRILL RIGS & RELATED PARTS/ EQUIPMENT FOR JULY
1976 DELIVERY BY MAC OR SPECIAL USAF FLIGHT TO BANGUI
AS CONTRIBUTION TO CAR SAHEL REHABILITATION PROJECT.
(IF USAID OR STATE MAKES INITIAL REQUEST, PC NOT
IDENTIFIED THUS NO REASON NOT TO FLY INTO BANGUI, AS DID
MERCY FLIGHTS INTO MALI, NIGER, ETC DURING PEACK OF
SAHEL DROUGHT. PC/CAR WOULD STAY OUT ON THIS END TOO.)

4. ADVISE THAT NOT ONLY WOULD SUCH TRANSPORT ASSURE
SAFE AND TIMELY DELIVERY OF EXPENSIVE EQUIPMENT CRITICAL
TO WELLS PROJECT, BUT SAVE \$10-12,000 CURRENTLY BUDGETED
FOR TRANSPORT, MAKING VOSSIBLE CONSTRUCTION OF 10-12
OR MORE ADDITIONAL WELLS, EACH OF WHICH PROVIDES UP TO
400 RURAL VILLAGERS WITH RELIABLE, PURE WATER SUPPLY
FOR 10-20 YRS. ALSO PROVIDES OPPORTUNITY FOR AF/I
PERSONNEL VISIT CAR, AND EXCELLENT PR FOR US MILITARY.

5. EMBASSY AND DATT FEEL ARRIVAL OF SUCH MERCY FLIGHT
TO CAR WOULD RECEIVE HIGHLY FAVORABLE LOCAL PUBLICITY,
EXCEEDING THAT REPORTED BANGUI 1873. NOT INCIDENTIALLY,
WOULD BE VALUED CONTRIBUTION TO OVERCOMING DIFFICULT
LOGISTICS PROBLEMS OF WELLS PROJECT, INCREASING
LIKELIHOOD OF SUCCESSFUL START-UP OF PROJECT.

6. REFTTEL ITEM 2: NO, DRILL RIGS TOO BULKY AND
CUMERSOME FOR PLANES HIRED BY WACASC.

7. PLS ADVISE LOU SOONEST OF FOLLOW-UP, FOR DECON
ON RECEIPT.

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